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**AMENDMENT**

Sir:

This is in response to the office action mailed May 15, 2006 having a shortened statutory period for response set to expire on August 15, 2006 Applicant hereby submits the following response including the following sections:

**Amendments to the Claims are shown in the Listing of Claims** beginning on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks** begin on page 11 of this paper.